



## **Factsheet: AY 2009-2010**

National Defense University (NDU) is the premier center for Joint Professional Military Education (JPME) and is under the direction of the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff (CJCS). The University is dedicated to providing an educational and research environment to prepare future leaders of the U.S. military, Department of Defense, other U.S. government agencies, and foreign nations for senior-level policy, command, and staff responsibilities.

NDU is an internationally recognized graduate-level university with five colleges and multiple centers of excellence focused on education, research, and outreach in national security matters. With campuses at Ft. McNair (Washington, DC), Norfolk, VA, and now Ft. Bragg, NC, the University's reach and influence extends throughout the U.S. and international community with students from more than 80 countries worldwide attending annually.

### **Education**

The five colleges are the College of International Security Affairs (CISA), Industrial College of the Armed Forces (ICAF), Information Resources Management College (iCollege), Joint Forces Staff College (JFSC), and National War College (NWC). NDU also began developing a program at the John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School in Ft. Bragg, NC. The diversity in campuses allows the University to offer a variety of master's degrees, graduate certificates, and continuing education programs.

### **Research**

The Institute for National Strategic Studies (INSS) is the foundation for NDU's research functions. INSS currently includes the following components, Center for Complex Operations (CCO), Conflict Records Research Center (CRRC), Center for Strategic Conferences (CSC), Center for Strategic Research (CSR), Center for Technology and National Strategic Policy (CTNSP), and Center for Transatlantic Security Studies (CTSS). This division also includes NDU Press and the Center for Applied Strategic Learning (CASL).

### **Special Components and Strategic Partners**

Special components include Capstone/ Pinnacle/ Keystone, Center for Joint and Strategic Logistics (CJSL), the Center for the Study of Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD Center), Joint Reserve Affairs Center (JRAC), International Student Management Office (ISMO), and the Institute for National Security Ethics and Leadership (INSEL). In addition, NDU has partnerships with the Africa Center for Strategic Studies (ACSS), the Center for Hemispheric Defense Studies (CHDS), and Near East South Asia Center for Strategic Studies (NESA).

### **Accreditation**

The National Defense University (NDU) is accredited by the Middle States Commission on Higher Education, 3624 Market Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 19104 (267) 284-5000.

The Joint Professional Military Education (JPME) Programs at the University are accredited by the Process of Accreditation for Joint Education, a specialized accrediting agency recognized by the Department of Defense through the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

The Senior Acquisition Course (SAC) Program at the University is accredited by the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics through a specialized accrediting process that is recognized by the Department of Defense.

The Information Assurance (IA) Programs at the University are accredited as Centers of Academic Excellence in Information Assurance Education by the Secretary of Defense through the National Security Agency.

### **Consortium Affiliations**

The National Defense University is a member of the Consortium of Universities of the Washington Metropolitan Area. Joint Forces Staff College is a member of the Virginia Tidewater Consortium for Higher Education.

## NDU at a Glance

**Table 1. Student Enrollment**

College	Total Enrollment
College of International Security Affairs	238
Industrial College of the Armed Forces	320
Information Resources Management College	1,241
Joint Forces Staff College	2,046
National War College	221
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,066</b>

**Table 2. Student Status**

Status	Total Enrollment	% of Total Enrollment
U.S. Military	2,241	55.1%
U.S. Government	1,483	36.5%
International	328	8.1%
Other	14	0.3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,066</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

**Table 3. Years of Active Duty Service for U.S. Military Students Enrolled in JPME Master's Degree Programs**

Years of Active Duty Service	Number of Students*	% of total Enrollment
Less than 15 Years	11	3.2%
15 to 18 Years	84	24.6%
19 to 22 Years	181	53.1%
23 to 26 Years	51	15.0%
27 to 30 Years	13	3.8%
Greater than 30 Years	1	0.3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>341</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

\*ICAF, JFSC, and NWC master's degree students.

**Table 4. NDU Graduate Awards Conferred**

Award	Number of Awards	% of Total Awards
Master's Degree	640	20.4%
Graduate Certificate	491	15.6%
Diploma	4	0.1%
Continuing Education Certificate	2,006	63.9%
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,141</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

**Table 5. College Faculty at NDU**

College	Total College Faculty*
College of International Security Affairs	33
Industrial College of the Armed Forces	94
Information Resources Management College	47
Joint Forces Staff College	110
National War College	64
<b>Total</b>	<b>348</b>

\*Does not include NDU Administrative/Research/Special components.

### Community Outreach & Educational Activities: Ft. McNair Campus

NDU's components also provide outreach and educational services to the greater national and international security community by hosting a variety of conferences, roundtable discussions, seminars, special programs, symposia, and workshops. These events are primarily to engage interagency, government, military, industry professionals and NDU students by expanding professional learning and networking opportunities. The following is summary data describing reported events and the number of attendees that they attracted to the Ft. McNair Campus during the academic year.

- 30 conferences with a total of approximately 3,348 attendees.
- 12 Roundtable/Discussions with a total of approximately 515 attendees.
- 33 seminars with a total of approximately 2,477 attendees.
- 48 Short Courses with a total of approximately 1,390 attendees.
- 5 symposia with a total of approximately 1,440 attendees.
- 16 Workshops with a total of approximately 771 attendees.



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